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Farmers win in North Carolina ruling

On August 19th the North Carolina Supreme Court issued a unanimous ruling in favor of tobacco farmers and the National Tobacco Settlement Trust, requiring the tobacco companies to pay the 2004 Phase II payments.

After the announcement, Governor Fletcher stated that this ruling confirmed what we believed all along that the intent of Congress was to keep the 2004 Phase II payment in place when they passed the federal tobacco buyout last year.

The Supreme Court Disposition states, "The trial court erroneously held the enactment of FETRA entitled Settlers to a Tax Offset Adjustment for 2004. The decision of that court is therefore reversed and this case is hereby remanded for additional proceedings not inconsistent with the opinion."

The complete ruling can be found at <http://www.aoc.state.nc.us/www/public/html/opinions.htm> or by going to the North Carolina Courts site at <http://www.nccourts.org>.

The tobacco companies have remained silent since the ruling; therefore, any plans they have to appeal or attempt to delay the payment are unknown at this time. On September 13, the Trust and the states filed a motion with the trial court asking the court to require the companies to pay the 4th and final payment within ten days. It will be several months before the process is complete, no matter how the companies respond.

Kentucky is the only state that stepped forward and provided its producers a 2004 Phase II payment, thanks to the leadership from the Governor and the General Assembly. The Commonwealth will receive the first \$114 million to cover the cost of Kentucky Phase II payment, everything above \$114 million will go to the producers. This will allow Kentucky to continue to lead tobacco states in helping its farmers transition and adjust to the changing agricultural economy.

Keith L. Rogers

Executive Director / CEO



Agri-tourism Competitive Awards

At the September Kentucky Agricultural Development Board meeting, the Board approved thirteen projects totaling \$525,493 in the second round of the **2005 Agri-tourism Competitive Awards Program**. The 2005 Agri-tourism Competitive Awards Program was designed to assist producers as they venture into Kentucky's emerging agri-tourism industry. The Board set aside \$1 million (\$500,000 in each of two rounds of awards) in state funds for the development of agri-tourism businesses and regional organizations in the competitive awards program.

Bramble Ridge Orchard, LLC

Bramble Ridge Orchard was approved for \$38,310 in state funds as a forgivable loan to assist in the construction and equipping of a certified kitchen at the existing facility.



Castle Hill Farm

Castle Hill Farm, Inc. was approved for \$32,675 in state funds as a forgivable loan for the construction and equipping of a certified kitchen at their existing facility.

Chrisman Mill Vineyards

Chrisman Mill Vineyards was approved for \$50,000 in state funds as a forgivable loan for the expansion and upgrading of existing facilities.



Christian Way Farm, LLC

Christian Way Farm, LLC was approved for \$18,150 in state funds as a forgivable loan to renovate an existing tobacco barn into a facility to house Agritourism events on their farm.

Elements Enterprises, LLC

Elements Enterprises, LLC was approved for \$49,988 in state funds as a forgivable loan for infrastructure improvements to expand existing Agri-tourism facilities.

Equus Run Vineyards, LLC

Equus Run Vineyards, LLC was approved for \$50,000 in state funds as a forgivable loan to assist in the renovation of a tobacco barn for additional retail and inventory space.

Jackson's Orchard & Nursery

Jackson's Orchard & Nursery, Inc. was approved for \$50,000 in state funds as a forgivable loan to modernize and expand kitchen facilities and construct a pavilion activity area at the existing facility.

John F. Dance Enterprises, Inc.

John F. Dance Enterprises, Inc. was approved for \$37,000 in state funds as a forgivable loan for infrastructure improvements and facility expansion at the existing facility in Midway.

Kentucky Roots, LLC

Kentucky Roots, LLC was approved for \$24,000 in state funds as a forgivable loan to assist in the restoration of an 1850's log



cabin to provide a retail store for locally grown and farm made products, as well as native flowers, shrubs and seeds.

Reed Farm Service, Inc.

Reed Farm Service, Inc. was approved for \$15,370 in state funds as a forgivable loan to assist in the construction and equipping of a certified kitchen at the existing facility.

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Farmers' Market Competitive Grants Awarded

At the August Kentucky Agricultural Development Board meeting, the Board approved five farmers' market projects, totaling \$202,124 in the second round of the **2005 Farmers' Market Competitive Grants Program**. The 2005 Farmers' Market Competitive Grants Program is a \$1.5 million grants program for regional and community farmers' markets across the state. The \$1.5 million is divided into the following investment areas: \$975,000 (65%) for regional markets, \$375,000 (25%) for community markets, and \$150,000 for market feasibility studies (10%).

City of Erlanger

The City of Erlanger was approved for \$1,912 in state and \$1,912 in Kenton County funds to conduct a feasibility study on the creation of a farmers' market pavilion.

City of Springfield

The City of Springfield was approved for \$25,000 in Washington County and \$25,000 in state funds to build a permanent structure for the Springfield Farmers' Market.



County and \$50,000 in state funds to construct a permanent marketing facility for the Logan County Farmers' Market organization.

Nicholas County Farmers Market

Nicholas County Fiscal Court was approved for \$3,000 in Nicholas County and \$3,000 in state funds to construct a temporary shelter for the Nicholas County Farmers' Market.

Johnson County Extension District

Johnson County Extension District was approved for \$11,150 in Johnson County and \$11,150 in state funds to construct a covered shed for the Johnson County Farmers' Market.

Logan County Extension District Board

The Logan County Extension Board was approved for \$70,000 in Logan



Agri-tourism Awards

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River Valley Agritourism Alliance

River Valley Agritourism Alliance was approved for \$1,000 in Robertson, \$2,000 in Bracken, \$2,000 in Lewis, \$2,000 in Mason, \$2,000 in Nicholas, and \$50,000 in state funds to promote agri-tourism in their region.

Sweet Home Spun

Sweet Home Spun was approved for \$50,000 in state funds as a forgivable loan to create a studio and retail store for the production and sale of high quality hand-spun, hand knitted items from local wool.



Three Mills Farm

Three Mills Farm was approved for \$1,000 in Woodford County and \$50,000 in state funds to assist in the construction and equipping of a certified kitchen, on-farm retail facility, and a guest pavilion at the existing facility.

Agricultural Development Fund Investments

Kentucky's General Assembly made a historic effort in 2000 to diversify away from tobacco production, while revitalizing the farm economy by investing 50% of Kentucky's Master Settlement Agreement into the Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund.

In the last six months, over \$4.9 million of Agricultural Development Funds have been invested in Kentucky's agricultural diversification effort. This brings the total investment to date to over \$187 million in an array of county, regional, and state projects designed to increase net farm income and create sustainable new farm-based enterprises.

The following are projects receiving Agricultural Development Funds between April and September 2005, representing 24 of the 2,150 projects that have been approved since 2001.

Allied Food Marketers West, Inc.

Award Date: May 2005

Allied Food Marketers West, Inc. was approved for up to \$2,991,561 in state funds for the two-year development of a marketing distribution model, which will provide Kentucky producers access to retail markets that small producers and niche products are currently unable to enter. Allied Food Marketers West will work with Kentucky producers to create a business incubator that will assist farmers in the steps that they must go through to pursue their busi-

ness ideas and create viable *Kentucky Proud* products with solid marketing programs.



Ballard County Conservation District

Award Date: May 2005

Ballard County Conservation District was approved for \$31,500 in Ballard County funds to establish an equipment cost-share program that will provide grain producers in Ballard County assistance in purchasing equipment needed to battle soybean rust.

Blazing Blocks Firewood

Award Date: July 2005

Blazing Blocks Firewood was approved for \$2,500 in Lewis and \$50,875 in state funds to expand the production of bundled firewood and directly market the product to retailers.

Breckinridge County Board of Education

Award Date: June 2005

The Breckinridge County Board of Education on behalf of the Agriculture Department of Breckinridge County High School was approved for \$15,000 in Breckinridge County funds

to build a greenhouse facility at Breckinridge County High School.

Carlisle County Conservation District

Award Date: June 2005

The Carlisle County Conservation District was approved for \$5,250 to establish a shade cloth cost-share program for Carlisle County producers in the production of tobacco and horticulture.

Carroll County Agriculture Development Fund, Inc.

Award Date: September 2005

Carroll County Agricultural Development Fund, Inc. was approved for \$7,000 in Carroll County funds to administer a 4-H Livestock Cost-Share Program.



Castle Hill Farm

Award Date: May 2005

Castle Hill Farm, Inc. was approved for \$17,375 in Woodford County funds to purchase wine making equipment for the expansion of the winery in Woodford County. Along with the winery, Castle Hill Farm will provide a retail outlet for Kentucky agricultural products.

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Agricultural Development Fund Investments

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Central Kentucky Angus Sales

Award Date: June & July 2005

Central Kentucky Angus Sales, Inc. was approved for \$15,000 in state and \$2,500 in Lincoln, Boyle, Garrard, Jessamine, Madison, and Pulaski County funds for the expansion and upgrading of the market and sales facility in Danville.

Central Kentucky Growers Association,

Award Date: June 2005

Central Kentucky Growers Association was approved for a forgivable loan consisting of \$121,961 in state funds to stabilize management and to purchase equipment necessary for line improvements that will ensure continuity of processing.

Creech Services, Inc.

Award Date: August 2005

Creech Services, Inc. was approved for \$10,000 in Fayette County and \$10,000 in Bourbon County funds as a grant and \$598,309 in state funds as a forgivable loan for infrastructure improvements to expand the existing compost production.

Christian County/Hopkinsville Development Corporation

Award Date: September 2005

Christian County/Hopkinsville Devel-

opment Corporation was approved for \$42,500 in Christian County and \$42,500 in state funds for the creation of a permanent Farmers' Market in Christian County.

City of Cadiz

Award Date: September 2005

The City of Cadiz was approved for \$1,000 in Trigg County funds to assist in the advertising of the Trigg County Farmers' Market.



Cumberland Farm Products

Award Date: September 2005

Cumberland Farm Products was approved for \$95,000 in state funds to offset a portion of the cooperatives' operating losses for 2004.

Daniel Boone Lumber Industries

Award Date: June 2005

Daniel Boone Lumber Industries, Inc. was approved for \$5,000 in Fleming and \$5,000 in Menifee County funds to assist in the construction of a building in which Daniel Boone Pallet can operate.

Daviess County Conservation District

Award Date: July 2005

The Daviess County Conservation

District was approved for \$90,300 in Daviess County funds to provide a cost-share program to assist local producers with installing subsurface drainage systems.

Franklin County Fair & Horse-show Association

Award Date: September 2005

The Franklin County Fair & Horse-show Association, Inc. was approved for \$37,000 in Franklin County funds for the construction costs of an open sided marketing facility.

Graves County Soil Association

Award Date: June 2005

Graves County Soil Association was approved for \$10,000 in Graves County funds and \$15,000 in KCADE funds for a bio-diesel facility feasibility study that would give updated, independent, fact based information on the realities concerning construction and demand for a facility in the local Purchase Area.

Hancock County Conservation District

Award Date: August 2005

The Hancock County Conservation District was approved for \$100,000 in Hancock County funds to administer a Farm Drainage Enhancement Program as a cost-share program to install subsurface drainage systems.

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Henry County Fiscal Court

Award Date: August 2005

Henry County Fiscal Court was approved for \$100,000 in Henry County funds for the construction of a clear span marketing facility to be located at the Henry County Fairgrounds.

Hardin County Cattlemen's Association

Award Date: June 2005

The Hardin County Cattlemen's Association, Inc. was approved for \$82,990 in Hardin County funds to implement a menu approach offering three model programs that also includes reimbursement for participation in a record keeping program.

Hardin County Extension District Board

Award Date: June 2005

The Hardin County Extension Board was approved for \$11,359 in Hardin County funds to support a "Pasture-to-Plate" Project as part of a retained ownership program with educational components for Hardin County Cattle producers.



Harrison County Board of Education

Award Date: July 2005

The Harrison County Board Of Education was approved for \$75,000 in Harrison County funds to assist in the construction of the Harrison County Agricultural Education Center.

Hope Ridge Farm Country Ham

Award Date: July 2005

Hope Ridge Farm Country Ham, LLC was approved for \$2,000 in Fleming, \$2,000 in Mason, \$1,500 in Robertson, \$1,000 in Bracken, \$1,000 in Lewis, and \$92,500 in State funds to expand the existing processing operation.

Jackson County Cattlemen's Association

Award Date: June 2005

The Jackson County Cattlemen's Association was approved for \$35,000 in Jackson County funds to administer a Multiflora Rose and Noxious Weed Eradication Program for Jackson County producers.

Jessamine County FFA Alumni Association

Award Date: August 2005

Jessamine County FFA Alumni Association was approved for \$10,000 in Jessamine County funds to administer an education assistance program for tobacco farmers and their spouses.

John F. Dance Enterprises

Award Date: June 2005

John F. Dance Enterprises, Inc. was approved for \$13,000 in Woodford County funds to expand the facilities at his Good Ol' Days Farm agri-tourism facility.

Knotwood Craftsmen Investments Corporation, Inc.

Award Date: August 2005

Knotwood Craftsmen Investments Corporation was approved for \$25,000 in Jackson, \$10,000 in Clay, \$10,000 in Laurel, and \$597,000 in state funds to assist in the establishment of a woodworking school in Jackson County.

Kentucky Beef Network

Award Date: September 2005

The Kentucky Beef Network (KBN) was approved for \$2,465,630 in state funds for continued funding of the existing program designed to enhance net returns to cattle producers through increased marketing opportunities, data management, and comprehensive farm management systems.

Kentucky Sweet Sorghum Producers & Processors Association

Award Date: August 2005

Kentucky Sweet Sorghum Producers & Processors Association, Inc. was approved for \$750 in state funds and \$250 in each Clark, Menifee, and Montgomery, Morgan, and Woodford County funds to assist in the con-

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struction of a portable sweet sorghum syrup cook-off trailer to use for demonstrational and educational purposes.

LaRue Co. Beef Cattle Association

Award Date: June 2005

The LaRue County Beef Cattle Association, Inc. was approved for \$11,390 in LaRue County funds to support a retained ownership program for LaRue County beef cattle producers.

LaRue Co. Beef Cattle Association

Award Date: July 2005

The LaRue County Beef Cattle Association, Inc. was approved for \$5,000 in Grayson County funds to assist in the establishment of a retained ownership program for Grayson County cattle producers.

Lawrence County Farmers' Market Association, Inc.

Award Date: August 2005

Lawrence County Farmers' Market Association, Inc. was approved for \$1,900 in Lawrence County funds to purchase a plastic wrapper, plastic remover and trailer to offer as shared-use equipment for Lawrence County producers.

Mackville Community Development

Award Date: June 2005

The Mackville Community Development, Inc. was approved for \$5,000 to renovate existing kitchen facilities at the community center to meet specification for a certified kitchen.

Meade County Grain Growers

Award Date: June 2005

The Meade County Grain Growers Inc. was approved for \$13,427 in Meade County funds to provide a crop scouting service cost-share program for Meade County grain growers.

Marion County Fair

Award Date: July 2005

Marion County Fair, Inc. was approved for \$12,000 in Marion funds to purchase materials to assist in improvements to the Marion County Multi-Purpose Agricultural Center.

Monroe County Conservation District

Award Date: July 2005

The Monroe County Conservation District was approved for \$200,000 in Monroe County funds to implement a cost-share menu approach offering five model programs as part of the Monroe County Farm Improvement Project.

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County Model Cost-share Programs

Cumulative Totals
January 2001 – September 2005

Agricultural Diversification

Est. September 2001
\$9,804,596 / 86 Counties

Cattle Genetics
Est. February 2001
\$9,985,105 / 104 Counties

Cattle Handling
Est. June 2001
\$15,707,269 / 102 Counties

Dairy Diversification
Est. January 2005
\$133,700 / 3 Counties

Fencing Improvement
Est. March 2003
\$5,158,410 / 49 Counties

Forage Improvement
Est. March 2001
\$17,608,134 / 101 Counties

Goat Diversification
Est. August 2001
\$2,887,274 / 87 Counties

Hay, Straw & Commodity Storage
Est. November 2002
\$12,955, 431 / 88 Counties

On-Farm Water Enhancement
Est. March 2003
\$984,515 / 17 Counties

Shared-Use
Est. January 2005
\$350,452 / 17 Counties

Technology Program
Est. January 2005
\$149,000 / 2 Counties

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Mountain Cattlemen's Association

Award Date: May 2005

The Mountain Cattlemen's Association was approved for \$5,986 in Perry County funds to establish a Heifer Replacement Program for producers in Perry county with a cow herd size of 25 or less.

Muhlenberg County Farmers' Market Association

Award Date: September 2005

Muhlenberg County Farmers' Market Association was approved for \$54,096 in Muhlenberg County funds to administer an On-Farm Drainage Enhancement Program.

Todd County Board of Education



Award Date: August 2005

The Todd County Board of Education was approved for \$4,000 in Todd County funds in the form of a 0% interest loan to

help the Todd County School System's Food Services Program purchase two dairy product vending machines for Todd County High School and Todd County Middle School.

Union Co. Beef Cattle Association

Award Date: June 2005

The Union County Beef Cattle Association, Inc. was approved for \$2,418 in Union County funds to purchase corral panels to be used as part of the annual bull sale held at the John A. Arnold Convention Center in Sturgis, Kentucky.

Valentine's Gourmet Ice Cream

Award Date: May 2005

Valentines Gourmet Ice Cream, LLC was approved for \$500 in Franklin County and \$5,500 in state funds to purchase equipment to increase their capacity to produce ice cream, which will contain fruit from Kentucky producers.



Wooden Impressions, Inc.

Award Date: April 2005

Wooden Impressions Inc. was approved for \$352,440 in state and \$1,000 in each Fleming, Lewis, and Robertson County funds to purchase machinery to further its capability to provide value-added products.

SAVE THE DATE

Agricultural Development Board
ANNUAL PLANNING MEETING

November 17 & 18, 2005
Blue Licks State Resort Park

KAFC Offers New Loan Opportunities

The Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corporation (KAFC) approved two new programs to assist Kentucky farmers and agribusinesses at their May board meeting: the *Agricultural Infrastructure Loan Program* and the *Producer Accelerated Payment Program*.

The *Agricultural Infrastructure Loan Program* (AILP) is designed to help Kentucky agricultural producers with a history of tobacco involvement finance long term projects that will improve their financial viability. Applicants must receive at least 20% of their gross income from farming, and provide documentation of a recent history in tobacco involvement. The KAFC portion of the AILP loan cannot exceed \$100,000 or 50% of the project.

The AILP will provide assistance for the financing of buildings or structures with attached equipment for agricultural uses only. Eligible projects will include but not be limited to livestock

and poultry barns, grain storage facilities, greenhouses, tobacco barns, ponds, and other projects at the discretion of the KAFC board. The AILP can not be used for operating expenses or to refinance existing debt.

The *Producer Accelerated Payment Program* (PAPP) is designed to offer entities marketing Kentucky grown agricultural commodities the ability to offer advance payments of up to 75% of wholesale value to the producer upon delivery of their products. The program is available to any wholesale marketer of Kentucky grown agricultural commodities.

To learn more about these programs and other opportunities available through the Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corporation contact Tim Hughes, KAFC Marketing and Business Development Coordinator, at (502) 564-4627 or visit the KAFC website at <http://kafc.ky.gov/>.

Model Program Update

The Shared-use Equipment program was established as a way to provide producers access to needed equipment where individual ownership may be cost prohibitive.

Over the last four years, shared-use equipment projects have evolved into a model program all its own. Early shared-use equipment projects were included as part of the model forage and cattle handling programs. As necessary equipment not fitting within those programs were identified, several non-model projects were approved for vegetable, goat, and other equipment.

To ensure that all shared-use equipment programs provided the same opportunities and were administered in a similar manner, the Board developed a shared-use model program. This program limits the items that can be purchased for shared-use, but provides flexibility in allowing the state Board to add equipment as necessary.

Examples of current equipment eligible under the Shared-use Equipment program include: inline bale wrapper, single bale wrapper, silage baler, pasture renovators, bedshapers, mulch/trickle tube layer, and vegetable transplanter. For a complete list of eligible shared-use items visit the website at http://agpolicy.ky.gov/funds/shared_use.shtml.

Close-out Reports for Model Projects funded before July 2004 are now due.

If you have questions about quarterly, annual, or close-out reporting requirements for model or non-model projects contact the Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy at (502) 564-4627 or via email at govkyagpolicy@ky.gov

USDA Farm Bill Forum Held in Louisville

Around 500 Kentuckians interested in national policy for agriculture and rural development gathered at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center Wednesday, August 31 to meet and share their views with Secretary Mike Johanns. The Kentucky forum was part of a nationwide listening tour aimed at gaining public input useful in preparing for the 2007 Farm Bill.

The Farm Bill Forum provided an opportunity for the USDA Secretary to hear directly from Kentucky's producers and other stakeholders who have tremendous insight to offer.

"I am pleased the Secretary accepted Governor Fletcher's invitation to come to Kentucky for the Farm Bill Forum," stated Keith Rogers, Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy.

"I think that the Secretary was very



pleased with our forum and the message he heard. There's no question that Kentucky made a great impression on the Secretary."

Those participating in the forum were given two minutes to comment on one or more of six questions addressing different areas of the farm bill: subsidy programs, trade, environmental stewardship, rural development, and research. Other specialty forums will be hosted to focus on conservation, rural development, and nutrition.

The public is also welcome to submit their comments via the USDA Farm Bill

Forum's website at <http://www.usda.gov/farmbill>. Through 2005, Secretary of Agriculture Mike Johanns and other senior USDA officials will host Farm Bill Forums through the country. The dates, location and times of the forums will continue to be announced as they are scheduled and posted on the USDA website.

[KDFU, August 2005]]



Time for Change

The one constant is Kentucky's agriculture community over the last several years has been change. We have changed from an agricultural economy dependent on tobacco, to one that is evolving and diversifying into new areas from goat production to agri-tourism.

Serving as the Communications Director for the Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy has been an amazing experience. I feel privileged to have been part of the historic change in Kentucky agriculture, but the time has come for me to change my role in Kentucky's agriculture community. I have accepted a position with Alltech, a multinational biotechnology company providing natural solutions to the feed and food industries based in Nicholasville.

It has been a pleasure working with the Agricultural Development Board, Cooperative Extension, commodity organizations, producers throughout the Commonwealth, and of course the amazing staff of GOAP.

I would like to thank those who have sent their kinds words and congratulations to me over the past few weeks. I will miss you all.

Kara Keeton

Kentucky's Agri-tourism Industry

Kentucky farmers are looking for new ways to make money on the farm. Kentucky families are looking for places where they can go for some fun and fresh air that are close to home. Farmers and tourists alike are finding what they are looking for through Kentucky agri-tourism.

Horse breeding farms have long been a staple for the state's tourism industry. Today, Kentucky agri-tourism also offers corn mazes, petting zoos, home-made ice cream, educational opportunities for children, Kentucky Proud products, horseback riding, farm tours, pumpkin patches, wineries, and many other attractions.

The Kentucky Agricultural Development Board has recognized the importance of agri-tourism to Kentucky's agriculture economy by investing in the market and development of agri-tourism on the state level and by funding individual operations through the Agri-tourism Competitive Awards Program.

As we enter into the fall months we encourage you to take the time to learn more about this emerging industry in Kentucky agriculture. Take a drive

down a country road and visit a fall festival on your local farm. Enjoy an afternoon picnic at a local vineyard or get your own *Sideways* experience by visiting Kentucky's array of wineries.

No matter where you go remember to take home some wonderful Kentucky Proud products for your own enjoyment or to give as a special gift.

For more information on Kentucky's agri-tourism industry, contact Kelly Ludwig, director of the state Office of Agri-tourism, at (502) 564-4983, or visit the Kentucky Department of Tourism's website at www.kentuckytourism.com to see a list of agri-tourism events and festivals throughout the Commonwealth.



Select the perfect pumpkin at any of local fall festivals.



School children get an on-farm experience at Chaney's Dairy Barn.

A special thank you to all who helped make the Regional Roundtables a success.

The input that agents and council members provided is greatly appreciated and will help fine tune the agricultural development process, as we move forward.

DEADLINES

Are you planning to submit an application or amendment to the Agricultural Development Board? If so here are a few deadlines to keep in mind.

Model Program Applications

The first Friday of each month is the deadline for model program applications. If your model program is received in our office by the first Friday of the month then it will go before the Board at that month's meeting.

Non-Model Applications

The second Friday of each month is the deadline for all non-model project applications. If your application is received in our office by the second Friday of the month it will be referred at the Board meeting that month for consideration at the meeting the following month.

Model and Non-model Amendments

The first Friday of each month is the deadline for all model and non-model project amendments. If your amendment is received in our office by the first Friday of the month then it will go before the Board at that month's meeting.



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